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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir,

This Response is filed in reply to the Office Action mailed 29 March 2004. On April 1, 2004, Applicants' representative received an Office Action for the above-identified U.S. Patent application. Previously however, Applicants had filed a REQUEST FOR STATUTORY INVENTION REGISTRATION, a copy of which is enclosed with this Response. This Request was filed on 29 July 2003, prior to the issue of the Office Action, and was received by the United States Patent Office on 1 August 2003 as indicated on the confirmation post card stamped by the OIPE, a copy of which is enclosed with this Response.

Because a Request for a Statutory Invention Registration was timely filed prior to the issue of the Office Action, Applicants believe that no fees are due with the Request for the Statutory Invention Registration as explained in the original Request and further Applicants believe that the issued Office Action containing rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) is moot in view of the earlier filed Request.

Based upon the foregoing, Applicants request that the Request for Statutory Invention Registration be acted upon and that no additional fees are due at this time. In the event that a telephone conversation would expedite the issue of the SIR, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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